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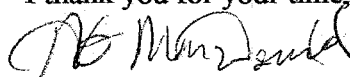
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Commissioner,

I want to express my opposition to your proposed rule and guidance on genetically engineered (GE) foods. The agency's voluntary labeling and notification idea is inadequate and misleading to consumers. It can be very dangerous for those of us who have medical conditions which require that we monitor what foods we are eating. All foods and food ingredients should be clearly labeled as to exactly what they are. GE foods should not be assumed to be safe. They should be tested vigorously before they enter the marketplace. I, for one, have no intention of being lab animal for the agribusiness community. As a consumer I have a right to full and accurate information. As an American and a veteran I have the right to say, NO, to food I do not trust.

I thank you for your time.

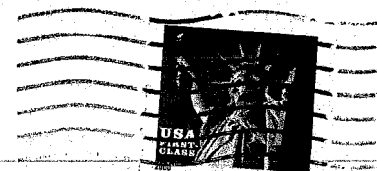
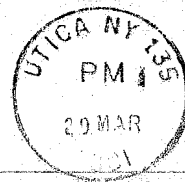


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